

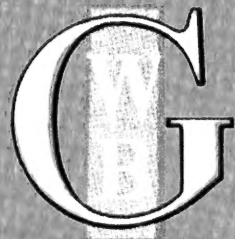


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# *1956 Spring Catalog*

*GERANIUMS for Brilliant Beauty*

**WILSON BROS.**  
**Geranium Growers**  
**Roachdale, Indiana**



# GARDEN OR ZONAL GERANIUMS

## (*Pelargonium Hortorum*)

Add color to your home with colorful Geraniums. Brilliance of color and sheer beauty can be yours in many ways. Mass plantings in your flower beds, urns, porch and window boxes, and along walks will be your pride and joy.

You will receive extra nice plants 4 to 8 inches tall, packed in paper pots. They'll bloom soon and will be the envy of your neighborhood.

### Double Dark Red

**G-102—Montmort**—Bright magenta red with a touch of white in centers. Sometimes called the purple Geranium.

**G-104—Better Times**—Deep crimson with a scarlet splash in centers. Most popular dark red.

**G-105—New Ruby**—Crimson-red with ruby tones. Large flower clusters on

long, slender stems. Also known as Ruby or Ruby King.

**G-106—Lady Jane**—Large tomato-red flowers of fine form. Strong robust plant.

**G-108—Pride of Camden**—Very free flowering velvety red. Fairly compact growth of small straight branches.

### Double Bright Red

**G-121—Avalon Red**—Most brilliant rich, clear red. Compact plant with large flower heads.

**G-124—Olympic Red**—Most popular bright red. Compact growth and free blooming quality with large flowers make it a leader.

**G-125—Sensation**—Large bright scarlet flowers with white on reverse side of petals. Husky plant with strong root system.

**G-126—Red Fiat**—Free blooming orange-scarlet flowers on sturdy, medium sized plant.

**G-127—Wyona**—A good blooming scarlet even under adverse conditions. Large flowers produced by large, sturdy plant.

**G-128—Improved Ricard**—An extra good bright brick-red. Fast growing compact plant with large flowers.

**G-130—Orange Ricard**—Clear bright orange flowers. Compact, low growth makes it nice for borders.

**G-131—Springfield Orange**—Very striking flowers of true orange. Nice plant.

### Double Deep Pink

**G-141—Mrs. Gloede**—Many deep rose flowers produced by strong growing pleasing plant.

**G-142—Irvington Beauty**—Heavy blooming soft rose with salmon cast. Low branching plant.

**G-143—Pink Abundance**—Large rich pink flowers with reddish cast. Good, heavy plant growth.

**G-146—Double Dryden**—Bright rose flowers with white centers. Nice, free-flowering plant.

**G-147—Pink Fiat**—Extremely popular salmon pink of exceptionally brilliant hue. Fine foliage and profuse blooming make it a leader.

**G-148—Pink Sensation**—Lovely salmon shade of deep pink produced by bushy plant. One of our proven introductions.

**G-149—Pink Phenomenal**—Huge lavender pink flowers with white eyes. Low growing, husky plant.

**35c each; 10 for \$3.00; 50 for \$12.50**

# FOR BLOOMING BRILLIANT BEAUTY



**Olympic Red**

**G-164 — Picardy** — Clear, light salmon pink. Fast growing and free-blooming.

**G-165 — Beaute Poitevine** — Soft pinkish-salmon flowers with deeper colored centers. Big flowered, strong bushy plant.

## Double Light Pink

**G-185 — Pink Giant** — Extra large lavender-pink flowers with white centers. Large, strong growing plant.

**G-187 — California Beauty** — Large, clear pink flowers with white centers. Profuse bloomer close above compact plant.

**G-189 — Improved Mrs. Lawrence** — Light shell-pink. Profuse bloomer with large flowers.

## Single Varieties

**G-214 — Painted Lady** — Deep pink bordered flowers with large white centers. Free-blooming with extra large flower heads.

**G-215 — Maxime Kovalevsky** — Brilliant, clear orange flowers of medium size. Low growing, free-flowering plant.

## Double White

**G-175 — Mme. Buchner** — Most popular pure white. Free-flowering, compact bushy plant.

**G-176 — Snowball** — Large white flowers of fine form. Pleasing plant; grows well, even in dry areas.

**G-177 — Gregersen's White** — A stronger larger plant with larger white flowers.

**G-178 — Madonna** — An extra good free-flowering white. Fast grower.

## Double Salmon Pink

**G-160 — Mme. Landry** — Many rich dark salmon flowers on a strong dependable plant. Long lasting bloom.

**G-161 — Salmon Ideal** — Big deep salmon-apricot flowers with orangy cast. Nice plant.

**G-163 — Salmon Supreme** — Large light salmon-apricot flowers. An extremely popular variety and a good one.

**G-194 — Apple Blossom** — A favorite variety with large flowers shading from white centers to true Apple Blossom pink. Excellent plant habit.

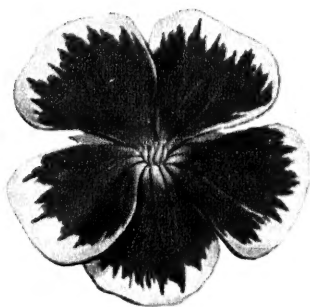
**G-197 — Memories** — Extra large flowers of light orchid-pink with white centers. Profuse blooming, bushy plant.

**G-218 — Mrs. E. G. Hill** — Large light salmon flowers in large clusters. Very popular.

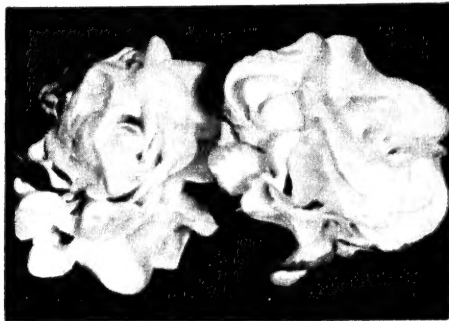
**G-212 — Paul Crampel** — Extremely brilliant scarlet flowers close above bright green, zoned foliage. A leading variety.

**35c each; 10 for \$3.00; 50 for \$12.50**

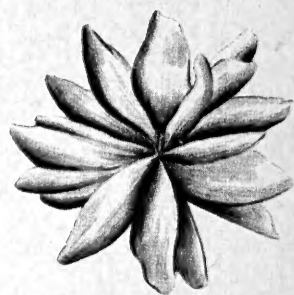
# ODD, UNUSUAL AND RARE GERANIUMS



**Mr. Wren**



**Apple Blossom Rosebud**



**Poinsettia**

If you're a collector you'll surely want some of these unusual types. Really conversation pieces.

**GU-401 — Apple Blossom Rosebud** — White with distinct rose-red edging and green center. Mature flowers open nearly full, but last a long time. Strong plant; flowers well.

**GU-402 — Magenta Rosebud** — Deep crimson or magenta bloom. Mature flower holds rosebud form. Good strong growing plant.

**GU-403 — Pink Rosebud** — Largest rosebud type flowers in a bright pink.

**GU-405 — Scarlet Rosebud** — Profuse blooming with vivid scarlet rosebuds. Flowers candy well in simple syrup. Nice compact plant.

**GU-411 — Single Pink Bird's Egg** — Popular collectors item. Excellent flower with carmine dots or speckles showing very well.

**GU-418 — Poinsettia** — Cactus flowered. Brilliant red twisted and rolled petals forms the double, medium sized flower.

**GU-428 — Irma** — Double salmon-apricot flowers with white centers, really an unusual color. Waxy, ivy type foliage.

**GU-429 — Jeanne** — Single deep salmon flowers with serrated or toothed petals, carnation flowered. Profuse blooming in nice clusters.

**GU-530 — Alliance** — A vigorous blooming short growing Ivy leaf with beautiful large lilac white flowers with spots of deep rose. Fully double.

**GU-553 — Pink Alliance** — Produces many large double flowers of deep pink. This is a bushy, short growing Ivy Leaf Geranium with dark zoned foliage.

**40c each; 8 for \$3.00; 50 for \$16.00**

**GU-431 — Mr. Wren** — Striking single flowers of light red with an irregular white border. Really a white flower blotched or splashed red except for the white edging. Very startling color!

**GU-434 — Stars and Stripes** — The double New Life Geranium also known as Flag of Denmark or Peppermint Stick. Red and white twisted individual flowers make up a nice sized flower head. Really outstanding.

**50c each; 12 for \$5.00**



# FRAGRANT SCENTED LEAF GERANIUMS

The Scenteds are easily grown and their unique foliage may be used in many decorative ways. We are listing only the most popular varieties this time and invite you enthusiasts to send in for our complete listing.

## Rose Scented

**GS-901—Attar of Roses (*P. capitatum*)** — Deeply cut, highly scented leaves. Small orchid flowers in groups. Grows to compact mound about 2 feet tall.

**GS-902—Camphor Rose (*P. graveolens camphorum*)** — Deeply cut, camphor scented leaves. Small orchid flowers, purple veined. Compact growth to 2 feet tall.

**GS-903—Fern Leaf (*P. denticulatum*)** — Finest cut leaf of all. Tall spreading plant resembles the fern. Tiny white flowers.

**GS-908—Old Fashioned Rose (*P. graveolens*)** — Deeply cut heart-shaped leaf. This is the old variety used to flavor jellies. Small orchid flowers, veined purple.

## Lemon Scented

**GS-915 — *P. Crispum*** — Tiny crinkled leaves with wonderful lemon scent. Pale lavender flowers.

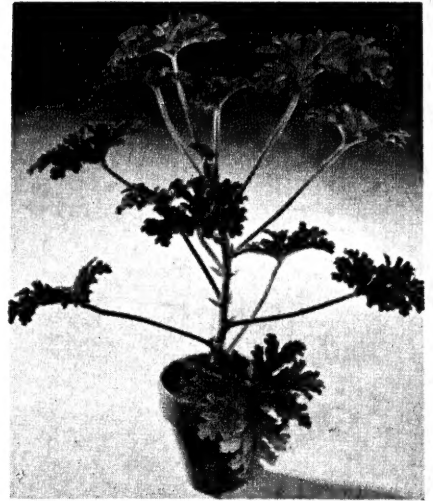
**GS-917 — Finger Bowl Geranium (*P. crispum minor*)** — Tiny stemless leaves, strong citronella scent. Pale lavender flowers.

**GS-922—Prince Rupert (*P. crispum*)** — Strong lemon scent. Large, handsome plant with orchid flowers veined purple.

## Best Flowering Scenteds

**GS-973 — Capri** — Mound-like growth freely flowered with 2-inch clusters of bright red flowers. Mild pungent scent.

**GS-974 — Clorinda** — Eucalyptus scent. Compact plant with oak-shaped leaves. Large pink flowers borne in large clusters.



## Fruit Scented

**GS-930 — Apple-Scented (*P. odoratissimum*)** — Wonderful apple scent. Attractive bushy plant with round leaves. Blooms with many tiny white flowers marked red.

**GS-931—Apricot (*P. scabrum*)** — Deeply toothed glossy green foliage smells like apricot leaves. Nice plant with bright crimson flowers borne in heads of 5 or 6.

**GS-932—Cody's Nutmeg (*P. fragrans*)** — Cross between Apple and Nutmeg Geraniums; tiny white flowers. Rich ripe fruit fragrance.

## Mint Scented

**GS-951 — Joy Lucile (*P. tomentosum graveolens*)** — Strong mint scent. Large plant with large five fingered leaves. Makes beautiful plant with clusters of small pink flowers.

**GS-954—Pungent Peppermint (*P. denticulatum tomentosum*)** — Deeply cut, hairy leaves. Wonderful mint scent. Tall growth with clusters of small flowers.

**GS-979—Mrs. Kingsley (*P. rapaceum*)** — Small ruffled and deeply cut leaves reminds one of parsley. Low spreading growth with many deep red flowers. Slight pungent scent.

**40c each; 8 for \$3.00; 50 for \$16.00**

# LADY WASHINGTON GERANIUMS

## (*Pelargonium Domesticum*)

Really regal beauties for they grow into lovely plants covered with velvety textured flowers 3 to 5 inches across.

We try to maintain an adequate supply but somehow we always run out of some kinds. To avoid disappointment please list second choices or allow us to send similar varieties on your order.

### Red

**GP-602 — Burgundy** — Medium sized wine-red flowers with large black centers. Good bloomer.

**GP-604 — Congo** — Maroon black with rose-violet shading on petal edges. Heavily veined black.

**GP-605—Conspicuous**—A showy, shining, ox-blood red veined and blotched black. Continuous bloomer with large ruffled flowers.

**GP-608—Empress of Russia**—Dark red with white edges ruffled, popular variety.

**GP-612 — Jungle Night** — Deep maroon overlaid velvety black. Petals waved and curled.



**GP-614—Marie Vogel**—Red, flushed salmon with dark blotches on waved petals. Large flowers.

**GP-617—Red Velvet**—Dark wine overlaid black. Large wavy flowers; good bloomer.

**GP-618—Wolfgang Goethe**—Extremely ruffled deep red flowers with violet black blotch on each petal. Popular.

### Salmon Pink

**GP-625 — Edith North** — Salmon pink with brown blotches in top petals. Free-flowering vigorous growth.

**GP-628—Rhapsody**—Waved and fluted salmon pink with red markings.

**GP-632 — Senorita** — Flashy orange-salmon with brown markings in upper petals. Large ruffled flowers edged white.

**GP-634 — Sue Jarrett** — Lovely salmon pink with large markings of velvety maroon.

### White

**GP-646 — Gardener's Joy** — Extra large flowers with long ruffled petals. Long brownish blotches fade into white.

**GP-647 — Gay Nineties** — Large ruffled white with blotches of rose red in top petals. Lower petals striped rosy red.

**GP-648 — Grace Armstrong** — Ruffled glistening white flowers with faint ma-

genta veins in upper petals.

**GP-649—Mrs. Mary Bard**—Almost pure white with purple veining at base of petals. Early blooming.

**GP-651—Springtime**—A favorite white with large light pink blotching that leaves a white throat and narrow white edging.

**50c each; 10 for \$4.00; 50 for \$18.00**

# FOR REALLY REGAL BEAUTY

## Lavender-Orchid

**GP-664—Stardust**—Large flowers of silvery lilac with top petals veined and blotched deep violet. Fine bloomer.

**GP-666—Palo Alto**—Lavender pink with magenta veining. Large strong growing plant.

**GP-665 — Waltztime** — Large, heavily

ruffled flowers of bright orchid has double appearance. Violet markings in upper petals. Extremely popular.

**GP-667—Chicago Market**—Light orchid-pink ruffled flowers forming large compact heads. Very compact and makes excellent pot plant.

## Deep Pink

**GP-675—Azalea**—Big ruffled flowers of rose red in big clusters. Well known variety.

**GP-681—Glendale**—An early and continuous blooming rose red with all petals marked dark red.

**GP-688 — Ruth Elenore** — Large ruffled bright pink with darker blotches. One of the finest pinks.

**GP-690—Giant Venus** (Vera Watts)—large round flat flowers of rosy pink, heavily veined and blotched crimson. A favorite early bloomer.

**GP-691—Gloria** (Foote)—Large showy two-toned flowers of rose to cerise with brown blotching.

**GP-692—Prairie Fire**—Rose-pink flowers of medium size with cardinal red veining. Flower ages to bluish pink lending a novel appearance.

## Light Pink

**GP-702 — Ballerina** — A newer variety with large ruffled flowers of shell-pink with apricot shading. Upper petals veined from base to crimson center.

**GP-709—Mary Elizabeth**—Lovely and popular watermelon pink shading into white throat. Plain flower but profuse blooming.

**GP-712—Pink Fascination**—Large ruffled light pink flowers with crimson markings. One of the best bloomers.

**GP-719—Cover Girl**—Light pink with strawberry markings. Fine continuous blooming plant with very ruffled flowers.

## Purple

**GP-729—Joan Fontaine**—Very deep violet marked red and black. Showy plain flowers.

**GP-730—Marie Rober**—Magenta purple to black. One of the darkest and most

popular varieties.

**GP-733—Nueheit C. Faiss**—Silvery heliotrope with violet markings on all petals. Slightly ruffled. Good blooming variety.

## Pansy Geraniums

**GP-732—Mrs. Layal**—Small purple, rose and white blended flowers of the pansy type about one inch across. Blooms early and over a long season. Compact bushy growth makes it an excellent pot plant.

**GP-735—Little Tim**—Tiny flowers ½ inch across with purple lower petals and dark purple upper petals. Compact low plant; early and free-blooming.

**50c each; 10 for \$4.00; 50 for \$18.00**

# LARGER, OLDER ZONAL GERANIUMS



These larger Geraniums are really nice for immediate color in your flower beds and boxes. Quality plants, grown in 3-inch pots, that have blooms or buds, just ready to open. Shipped in special boxes to arrive in tip-top condition.

Please order by the following color classifications. However, if you have a variety preference, let us know and we will do our best to send it or one very similar.

**GL-701—Double Dark Red**

**GL-702—Double Bright Red**

**GL-703—Double Deep Pink**

**GL-704—Double Salmon Pink**

**GL-705—Double Light Pink**

**GL-706—Double White**

**GL-707—Single Varieties**

**GL-708—Assortment of above**

**60c each; 12 for \$6.00; 50 for \$20.00**

## SINGLE, ZONAL GERANIUM SEED

You can easily grow your own Geraniums. You'll love watching them grow in your sunny window. We offer a mixture of the single zonal types in shades of white, pink, salmon and red.

**S-100. Packet, 25c—contains 50 or more seeds; 1/16 oz., \$1.00**

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## SCENTED GERANIUM SEED

Now you can grow Scenteds from seed. A super-fine mixture of the various kinds. **S-200 Packet 50c—Contains 12 seeds.**



# COLORED OR FANCY LEAF GERANIUMS



**Skies of Italy**



**Happy Thought**

These variegated leaf Geraniums are really the "show offs." Sunshine brings out their true beauty. Fine for both pot and garden culture.

**GF-309—Happy Thought—(Butterfly)—**A popular tri-color. Irregular large ivory center resembles a butterfly. Also has bright green edging with faint brown zone. Pretty scarlet flowers. Single.

**GF-311—Lady Cullum—Tri-color.** Green leaves edged ivory with red to brown splashed zone. Single red flowers.

**GF-313—Lady Plymouth** (*P. graveolens*)—A variegated Scented Leaf Geranium. Rose scented, deeply cut leaves with white edging and blotching.

**GF-314—Marshall MacMahon—**Yellow green with a wide red bronze zone well in from leaf edge. Large scarlet flowers. Single.

**GF-315—Mary Ann—**Bright green, slightly cupped leaves with wide white borders. Compact grower, single red flowers.

**GF-316—Mme. Languth—**Silvery green leaves bordered white. Faint brown zone. Best flowers of the Fancies, double cherry-red.

**GF-325—Skies of Italy—**An extremely popular tri-color. Deeply toothed green leaves with yellow edges, darkly zoned crimson to orange. Single vermillion flowers.

**GF-326—Sunset—**An Ivy Leaf Geranium with showy variegated foliage. Irregular apple green leaves bordered with cream. Salmon pink, single flowers.

**GF-327—Variegated Prince Rupert** (*P. crispum variegatum*)—A lemon scented geranium. Small ruffled leaves with yellow edges. Compact growth; lavender flowers.

**60c each; 12 for \$6.00; 50 for \$20.00**

**GF-321—Mrs. Cox—**One of the rarest and most colorful Fancies. A striking tri-color with bright yellow edged green leaves having wide zones splashed crimson to brown. Single, light salmon flowers. **\$2.00 each**

**GF-323—Double Mrs. Pollock—**Another rare but not so flashy tri-color. Green leaf edged in yellow with reddish bronze zone. Double orange-scarlet flowers. **\$1.00 each**

# IVY LEAF GERANIUMS

## (*Pelargonium Peltatum*)

Ivy or Trailing Geraniums will lend a new beauty wherever a climbing or trailing effect is desired. Wonderful for pot plants, hanging baskets, ground cover and window boxes. The deeper colored varieties are better for sunny locations while the lighter shades do better in semi-shaded places. Please list second choices or allow us to send similar varieties for somehow we get caught short on a few kinds. All varieties listed produce double or semi-double flowers.

### Red

**GI-502—Charles Monselet**—Large flowers of a showy cerise-red. Short compact growth makes an excellent pot plant.

**GI-507—Intensity**—An outstanding bright red. Long growth produces many large, deep orange-scarlet flowers. Very popular.

**GI-510—Willy**—(Dark Red) Extra double, very dark red. Large flowers, free bloomer, medium growth. One of the best deep reds.

**GI-506—Gringoire**—Rosy carmine with violet undertone. Large flowers; bushy grower.

### Purple

**GI-516 — Joseph Warren** — Rich violet purple. Deepest color of the Ivies. Large flowers; good bloomer. Medium grower, may be kept compact.

**GI-518—Malibu**—A large flowered cerise-purple. Robust well-branching plant produces a profusion of bloom.

**GI-517 — Judy** — Free-blooming cerise-purple. Long spreading growth makes good ground cover.

**GI-519—Old Mexico**—Large flowered light cerise-purple. Medium growth, blooms well.

### Pink

**GI-541—Caesar Frank**—Brilliant rose-pink flowers with orange markings. Long, strong growth.

**GI-543—Charles Turner**—Most popular deep pink. Long, strong grower; large flowered and profuse blooming.

**GI-544—Comtesse de Grey**—Soft satiny pink flowers marked light violet. Free and continuous bloomer.

**GI-552—Mitsy Holmes**—Rose-pink with serrated petal edges giving carnation like appearance. Medium growth makes a nice novelty pot plant.

**GI-548—Jester**—Rose with red penciling on all petals. Exceptionally free-flowering and the best pencilled variety. Compact strong growth.

**GI-556 — Salmon** — Rose-pink shade of salmon with reddish veining. Strong, long growth.

**GI-558 — Sybil Holmes** — Deep silvery pink of rosebud type flowers with open centers. Medium grower.

**GI-559—The Blush**—A full-double rosebud type in soft pink. A good blooming variety of medium growth.

**GI-542—Cayucas**—Large flowers of bright rose-pink with red markings. Strong compact plant; profuse blooming.

**GI-546 — Galilee** — Very popular light clear pink. Fine free-blooming plant of medium long growth.

**40c each; 8 for \$3.00; 50 for \$16.00**

# FOR GRACIOUS TRAILING BEAUTY

## Orchid



**GI-521—Admiral Byrd**—Large flowers of orchid or pinkish lavender with upper petals marked red. Long, strong growth.

**GI-522—Bridesmaid**—Very soft orchid with faint rose veining. Large flowers of finest form. A popular variety of medium growth.

**GI-523—Cliff House**—Light lilac with orchid tones. Free-flowering, medium growth.

**GI-525—Leopard**—Orchid pink, spotted red. Large flowered, good bloomer of short, compact growth.

## White

**GI-570—Alba Piano**—Pure white rosebud type. Low growing, medium growth and profuse flowering.

**GI-571—Double Lilac White**—A full double white of the rosebud type with a delicate lilac flush in center. Good bloomer of medium growth.

**GI-572—Mrs. Banks**—Large white flowers with a bluish cast. Long growth and continuous bloomer. Most popular white.

**GI-573—Snowdrift**—Fine full-double white of rosebud form. Medium growth, good bloomer.

**GI-574—Duchess**—White with red markings. Large flowers, free-blooming and of medium growth that can be kept short.

**40c each; 8 for \$3.00; 50 for \$16.00**

**We recommend this book**

**GERANIUMS by Helen Van Pelt Wilson      \$3.95**

**B-101**—This book is a must for every Geranium enthusiast. Tells you how to grow them successfully all over the United States. Contains 21 chapters, 247 pages concerning all types and lists over 300 varieties, many in color and line drawings.

You'll really enjoy this authority on Geraniums.

# ELF OR DWARF GERANIUMS



**Pigmy**

These little fellows are very popular and are especially nice for house plants in a sunny location. Also good for low borders. Mighty good bloomers but get thirstier than other Geraniums, so water well when the top soil dries.

**DG-802—Emma Hossler**—Double light pink flowers of medium size freely produced by compact plant maturing to about 10 inches tall.

**DG-803 — Little Darling** — Small single deep pink flowers, blooms freely. Bushy plant with small green leaves. Grows to about 7 inches tall.

**DG-805 — Mr. Everaarts** — Double deep pink flowers in profusion produced by bushy plant growing to 12 inches tall.

**DG-806 — Pigmy** — Smallest of the dwarfs. Exceptionally bushy growth of small green leaves to about 5 inches. Single cherry red flowers.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00; 8 for \$5.00**

## FINE DROOPING VINES

### Vinca Vines

**V-325 — Vinca variegata** — These green and white vines are the universal favorites for urns, boxes and baskets. Leaves are round, light green in center with cream colored margins. Several vines will lead from the same plant; if covered with dirt and watered, roots will form and you'll have another plant. Vines will survive freezing weather and in protected area even live all winter.



**29c each; 5 for \$1.35; 50 for \$9.95**



# EVERBLOOMING WAX BEGONIAS



**Double**



**Single**

Ideal for house pot plants or make fine borders outside in semi-shady locations.

## Rose or Double Wax Begonias

**BD-301 — Geneva Scarlet** — Large ball shaped flowers of deep red bloom grow all over this nice compact plant.

**BD-304 — Geneva White** — Pure white double flowers produced abundantly by small compact plant.

**BD-302 — Deep Pink** — Large sturdy plant with larger ball shaped flowers in deep pink.

**59c each; 3 for \$1.49; 12 for \$4.95**

## Bronze Leaf Doubles

**BD-303—Joan Strong** (Double Carmen) —A compact, bronze leaved variety with lovely rose pink double flowers. Exceptionally free-blooming.

**BD-306 — Bizarre** — Double rich pink flowers with contrasting bright yellow centers. Bronze foliage. Really a show-piece.

**BD-305 — Flame** — A new double deep red with bronze or brownish foliage.

**BD-307 — Snowdrop** — A new double with bronze foliage placing emphasis on the many white bloom.

**79c each; 3 for \$2.19; 6 for \$3.95**

## Single Wax Begonias

**BS-313 — Indian Maid** — Taller than other varieties. Deep lustrous bronze foliage with contrasting red flowers.

**BS-309—Sparkler**—New! Large flowers of unusual orange-salmon with base of each petal a contrasting creamy white.

**BS-314—Snowbank**—Free blooming white flowers produced by a dwarf compact plant.

**BS-315—Ball Deep Rose**—Bushy plant produces deep rosy red flowers in winter and fade to luminous pink with warmer weather.

**BS-310—Adeline**—Extra free flowering, bright pink, grown by a dwarf, compact plant.

**39c each; 6 for \$2.19**

# BLOOMING AFRICAN VIOLETS

Beautiful plants grown in 3-inch pots. All our own introductions.

**AV-305—Double Pink**—Pictured at right. Really lovely, glistening double pink flowers hybridized from Pink Cheer. We have several varieties as: Astolat, Cheerful, Cherry Blossom, Pink Enchantress, Freshman, Hoosier Pink, Happiness, Peach Bloom and Pink Splendor. Sorry we can't list these separately. However, we will send you the best available variety when you order.

**\$3.00 each; 6 all different \$14.95**

## Other Doubles

**AV-306 — Giant Azure Beauty**—Huge variegated blue and white double flowers. Large bright green ovate leaves. Compact, free-blooming.

**AV-307 — Uncle Don**—An extra good large flowering double dark purple. Easily grown and produces many long lasting flowers.

**AV-308—Raspberry**—Large clusters of double glowing purple flowers stand well above the flat, bright green, quilted foliage. A dandy!

**AV-309 — Double Wine**—One of our Blue Ribbon Winners at the National Violet Show. Deep wine red double flowers; strong dark green foliage. Makes specimen plant.

**AV-310 — Double Lilac**—Strong, dark foliated plant produces many lovely clusters of double lilac lavender bloom.

**AV-311—Double Red Girl**—Very double wine red flowers in abundance. Attractive, deeply cut, wavy girl foliage.

**AV-312—Double Ruffles**—A real beauty in fluffy mid-blue. Beautiful contrasting dark green, ruffled and waved foliage.

**AV-313—Fairy Queen**—One of our newest and best doubles. Large almost pure white flowers have an occasional faint



blue marking. Pleasing, round apple green leaves.

**AV-314—Goliath**—A very heavy bloomer with huge double dark blue flowers slightly deeper toward edges. Bright green leaves and open crown help make this a favorite.

**AV-315 — King David**—An excellent double mid-blue with dark glossy foliage. Easily grown; blooms profusely.

**AV-316—King Saul**—Lovely deep lavender double flowers. Slightly quilted dark green leaves. Open crown plant blooms easily.

**\$2.50 each; 5 for \$10.00**

## Single Varieties

**AV-318—Red Man**—A wine red with unusual foliage. Dark glossy green leaves appear to have goose bumps; rosy reverse with slick, rosy stems.

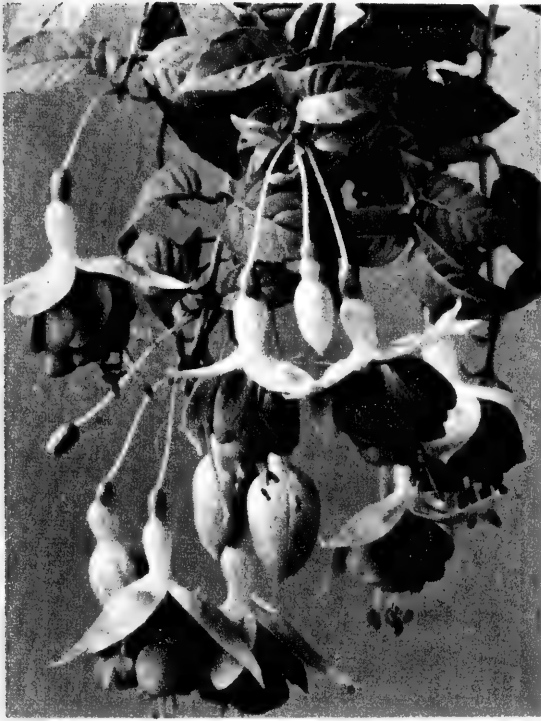
**AV-319 — New Baby**—Lavender pink flowers edged with thin line of pure white. An excellent bloomer; easily grown.

**AV-321—Pink Mound**—Many dark pink flowers stand well above the round, bronzy-green foliage.

**AV-322—Pink Corvette**—Profuse blooming with glowing pink flowers above mid-green foliage. A good one.

**\$2.00 each; 4 for \$7.00**

# FUCHSIA FOR SHADY PLACES



The pendulous bell-shaped flowers of the Fuchsia have a beauty not found in other plants. Blooms well in shady location where they can get early morning or late afternoon sun. Keep soil moist and fertilize once a month with Plant Marvel or any complete fertilizer.

**F-330—Lakewood**—Exceptionally large double blooms of violet with splashes of blending red. Turkey red sepals. Trailing growth. Makes nice hanging basket.

**F-331—Bernadette**—Double deep blue flowers of medium size with pale rose to red sepals. Upright or semi-trailing growth. Works equally well in pots or hanging baskets.

**F-332—Cardinal**—An upright single in a beautiful shade of dark wine red with dark red sepals.

**F-333—China Doll**—Large double white flowers with red sepals. Showy, trailing growth for hanging baskets.

**F-335—Diamant**—A popular old-timer with large, loosely formed white flowers streaked with carmine. Bright scarlet sepals. Upright growth.

**F-338—Honeymoon**—Large, double open flowers of deep blue with red sepals. Free-blooming; fine for both pot and hanging basket growth.

**F-339—Jingle Bells**—Medium sized flowers of dark blue to purple with red sepals. Stamens extend beyond bell-shaped flowers and the pistils look like clappers. Bushy growth.

**F-340—Cover Girl**—Semi-double flowers of very dark purple shading to red

at petal base. Red sepals. Short upright growth, heavy bloomer.

**F-341—Madame Carnot**—Large double flowers of white to pink with red sepals. Compact upright growth.

**F-342—Minnesota**—One of the oldest varieties. Semi-double of deep purple to carmine with ivory rose sepals. Stiff, bushy upright growth.

**F-344—Mission Bells**—Large single flowers of deep purple, shaped like a bell. Red sepals. Fine for either basket or upright growth.

**F-346—Rufus**—Single turkey red flowers. Fast grower and constant bloomer of bushy, upright growth.

**F-348—Sharon**—Double rose Bengal flowers splashed Geranium with pale scarlet sepals. Large flowers on semi-trailing plant.

**F-350—Suzan**—A good double light blue with upcurving pale rose sepals. Fine for hanging baskets.

**F-351—Swingtime**—Double milky white flowers with pink veining at petal base. Bright red upturned sepals. Trailing growth, large flowers, free-blooming mal as it tops for hanging baskets.

**39c each; 8 for \$2.89; 50 for \$14.95**

# PLANT POPULAR PETUNIAS



**Canadian All Double**



**Giants of California**



**Carnival**

## Bedding Petunias

**P-472—Comanche**—A newer scarlet-red, exceptionally vigorous and free-flowering, yet compact growth. Deeper in color and stronger growing than the well known Fire Chief. F<sub>1</sub> hybrid.

**P-480—Snow**—A deep salmon pink of vigorous growth and profuse blooming. Really a dandy! F<sub>1</sub> hybrid.

**P-484—Paleface**—Proven in '55. Most vigorous and free-flowering white petunia. Has small creamy eye. F<sub>1</sub> hybrid.

**P-477—Pink Sensation**—Extremely vigorous plants grow to 2 feet tall and 4 feet wide. Completely covered with 3 inch rose pink flowers having deeper veining from brown fringed, white throat toward edges. F<sub>1</sub> hybrid.

**P-473—Ballerina**—Extra large frilled flowers of clear, intense salmon. Free-branching and profuse blooming. F<sub>1</sub> hybrid.

**P-481—Admiral**—Large velvety purple, attractively ruffled flowers.

**P-483—Snowstorm**—Extra large, pure white, wavy flowers.

**P-485—Improved Celestial Rose**—Satiny rose with white throat. A popular pink.

**P-486—Giant Flaming Velvet**—Velvety maroon red. Free flowering, vigorous growth with heavy foliage. Large ruffled flowers.

**P-487—Lipstick**—A newer variety of cerise-rose with white throat. Very showy!

**P-488—Twinkles**—An extra dwarf plant with small bright rose flowers with white star. Fine for borders and edges.

**P-489—Heavenly Blue**—Silvery blue flowers. These resemble the clear summer sky.

**P-490—All Colors Mixed**—A mixture of the above varieties selected to give a colorful show.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00; 50 for \$7.50**



# FOR FULL SUN BRILLIANCE

## Fancy Petunias

**P-475 — Canadian All Double** — Lovely ruffled double flowers, 4 inches across, bloom profusely on the dwarf, free branching plant. All colors mixed, containing rose, pink, salmon, white and blue.

**P-479 — Giants of California** — Large deeply ruffled single flowers up to 7 inches across, artistically veined. Mixed colors ranging from velvety crimson to a delicate pink. Very vigorous plant especially bred for bedding.

**P-474 — Attraction** — An extra nice double with beautiful variegated flowers of rose-pink and white gives a "strawberries in cream" effect. Dwarf base-branching plant.

**P-476 — Crusader** — Most striking! Large heavily fringed single flowers of white gaily striped and blotched with intense rose. Good blooming, bushy plant. F<sub>1</sub> hybrid.

**P-491 — White Magic** — A new dwarf with large glistening white flowers. Exceptionally free-blooming. Really the best white to date.

**P-492 — Fire Dance** — The outstanding new petunia for 1956. Large ruffled and fringed flowers 3 to 4 inches across. Bright scarlet with yellow throat, an entirely new color. F<sub>1</sub> hybrid grandiflora with excellent plant habit.

**P-493 — Carnival** — An F<sub>1</sub> hybrid especially developed to make a color show. Individual flowers average about 3½ inches across and are waved, ruffled or fringed. Mixed colors ranging through white, pink, red, blue, and many in between shades. An ideal choice for a colorful Petunia bed.

**25c each; 12 for \$2.50**

**50 for \$9.00**

## BRIGHT COLORED COLEUS

A universal favorite for mixed plantings and borders is the brilliant Coleus or "Foliage Plant". We separate these as to the predominate colors for certain color schemes but a mixed planting is most striking.



**C-101 — Red**

**C-102 — Red and Green**

**C-103 — Red and Yellow**

**C-104 — Green and Yellow**

**C-105 — Mixed Colors** — Including those above and other in between shades.

**20c each; 8 for \$1.50; 50 for \$8.00**

## Chicken Gizzard Coleus (*Achyranthes*)

**CG-306** — Leaves of this interesting foliage plant looks just like a raw chicken gizzard. Fleshly green leaves with wide yellow veining. Short growth makes a fine border plant.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

# MIGHTY FINE FOR SUNSHINE



## Lantana

Popular plants for flower beds, urns and porch boxes for they are constantly in bloom. Flowers deepen with age and do best in full sunlight.

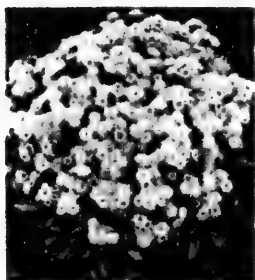
**LT-390—Weeping**—Different from other varieties because of its long slender trailing branches, freely growing beautiful lavender flowers. Excellent for hanging baskets, porch boxes and urns. Start it early and it will make a wonderful ground cover.

**LT-391 — Michael Schmidt** — A newer variety of fiery orange that is an improvement over the popular Radiation.

**LT-394 — Golden King** — Bright golden yellow.

**LT-396—Craigii**—Large flower heads of cerise with yellow eye aging to orange.

**29c each; 5 for \$1.35; 50 for \$9.95**



## Ageratum

**AG-401—Purple Beauty**—An outstanding variety! Dwarf mound shaped plant grows to 1 foot tall and 1 foot across just covered with bluish purple, dome shaped flowers. A universal favorite for borders and edging.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

## Nierembergia

**NI-411—Purple Robe**—Rich, bluish lilac flowers form a dense mat on plants about 6 inches high and 12 inches wide. Individual flowers are cup shaped and up to 1½ inches across. Really a first class bedding and edging plant.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**



## Oriental Poppies

**OP-431**—Have enormous brilliantly colored flowers in May and June. These Oriental Poppies grow to a height of 3 feet and are excellent for cutting. For longer life, cut flowers in early morning and burn stem ends within 5 minutes. Best to grow plants in sheltered area out of the wind. A hardy perennial. Mixed colors ranging from light salmon shades to dark or blood red.

**29c each; 5 for \$1.35; 50 for \$9.95**

# EXCELLENT FOR SHADY PLACES



**Viola**



**Pansy**



**Patience Plant**

## Viola

**VI-412**—Smaller than the Pansy but they bloom more freely and over a longer period. The Viola blooms all summer if watered and old blooms are picked. We offer a special mixture containing bright shades of red, yellow, blue and apricot combined with many blotched shades.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

## Pansies

**PS-432 — Swiss Giants** — Strong robust plants produce a wealth of extra large round flowers. Lively range of mixed colors including red, salmon, pink, wine-red, blue, yellow and rose shades.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

## Patience Plant

You may know the Patience Plant as the Daily Bloomer because of its year-round free blooming habit. Also often called by its specific name, Sultani. Grows best in partial shade.

**PP-377—Red**

**PP-378—Orange-Salmon**

**PP-379—White**

**PP-380—New Hybrids**—Mixed colors of choice imported strains.

**29c each; 5 for \$1.35;**

**50 for \$9.95**

## Wishbone Flower

**WB-350—(Torenia fournieri)**—So named because stamens of flower form a perfect wishbone. Bushy plant covered with bloom all summer long. Flowers are light blue, blotched with deeper blue, and have a golden touch on their lips. Grows best in semi-shade. Good for beds, borders, pots and window boxes.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**



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# DECORATIVE INDOOR IVIES



**Speartip**



**Sweetheart**



**Erecta**

Mighty popular plants of many indoor uses. Use them to frame archways, windows or as planter plants. Will grow in any light location.

**IV-201 — Sweetheart Ivy** — Small dark green heart shaped leaves. Will make long trailing or climbing growth.

**IV-202 — Glacier Ivy** — Small light green leaves outlined with wide bands of white. Very colorful vine.

**IV-203 — Gold Dust Ivy** — Light green leaves with small yellow spots thus having appearance of gold dust sprinkled on its leaves.

**IV-204 — Speartip Ivy** — Nice bushy grower with attractive green leaves that look like its name. Really extra nice.

**IV-205 — Variegated English Ivy** — Huge leaves with light green centers surrounded by an attractive wide cream band. Showy!

**IV-205 — Emerald Jewel** — Greenest and laciest of the ivies. Dark green, three pointed leaves produced in abundance on many vining branches.

**IV-209 — Erecta Ivy** — A slow growing, dwarf Ivy with closely set dark green leaves. Reminds one of a Chinese Pagoda.

**IV-210 — Baby Ivy** — A dwarf bushy grower with many small, closely set, glossy green leaves.

**40c each; 4 for \$1.50**



**Glacier**



**Emerald Jewel**



**Gold Dust**



**Variegated English**



# HOUSE PLANT BEGONIAS



## Rex Begonias

**BR-322—The Painted Leaf Begonia—**Famous for its large beautiful leaves of many colors. They have a metallic sheen and exhibit an array of colors in blotches, spots, and borders. Assorted colors only.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00  
12 for \$7.50**

## Star Rex

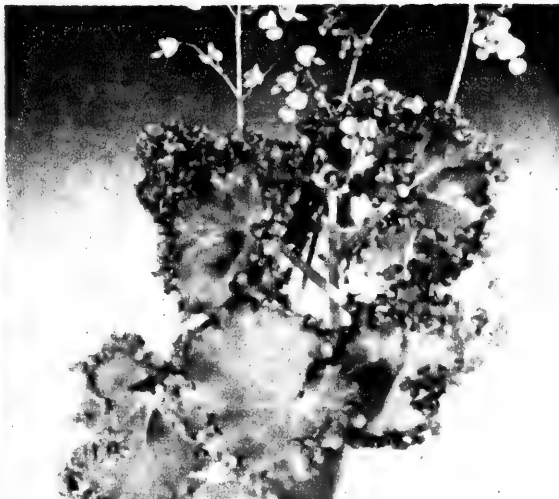
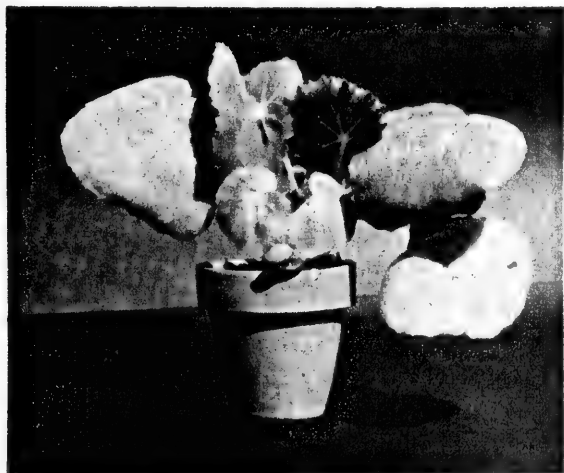
**SR-328—**Large five-fingered leaves with the same metallic sheen of the regular Rex. Makes an extra nice house plant.

**\$1.00 each; 3 for \$2.75**

## Beefsteak Begonias

**BB-325—**Thick, round leaves are dark green on top; veined red underneath resembling a rare steak. Beautiful light pink flowers are grown high above the foliage.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00;**



## Lettuce Leaf Begonias

**BL-326—**Light green ruffled and crinkled leaves form a dense mound that looks good enough to eat. Small pink flowers above foliage.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00**

## Climbing Rex Begonias

**BC-327—**(*Cissus discolor*)—Mottled and spotted leaves resemble the metallic sheen of the Rex Begonias. Leaves are smaller, yet it is a vining climber. Really a conversation piece.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00**

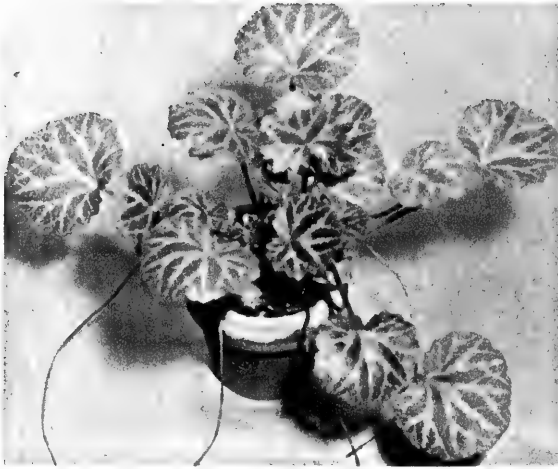
## Watermelon Begonias

**BW-321—**Large, dark green leaves with wide light green stripes. Resembles the striped watermelon. Really looks nice in a planter.

**40c each; 4 for \$1.50**



# CHOICE PLANTER PLANTS



## Strawberry Begonias

**BST-320 — (Saxifraga Sarmentosa) —** Also known as Mother of Thousands or Strawberry Geranium. Produces many runners like the strawberry, each having a plantlet. Leaves are green, veined white above, and reddish below. Has clusters of white, long lasting flowers in the spring. Ideal as edge plant in planters.

**30c each; 4 for \$1.00**

**CJ-328 — Creeping Jenny —** A popular plant for rock gardens and planters. Many branched, vining growth covered with tiny bright green leaves. Keeps rooting and spreading if cover is desired or may be used for trailing effect in planters.

**40c each; 4 for \$1.50**

**BJ-329 — Baby Jade (Dwarf Rubber Plant) —** Thick, fleshy, small dark green leaves closely set on reddish to brown branches. Much branched dwarf growth of mature plant gives a ming appearance.

**40c each; 4 for \$1.50**

**CT-330 — Crown of Thorns —** Legend tells us "The Crown" was made of this plant. Thick, greyish brown stem covered with sharp, black thorns. Lemon green foliage at top of plant produces reddish-orange flowers. Really a novelty.

**60c each; 3 for \$1.65**



## Piggy-Back Plant

**PB-102 — (Tolmela) —** Small plants develop in center of leaves thus riding "piggy-back". Will root by allowing leaf to rest on moist ground. Attractive light green, veined foliage.

**40c each; 4 for \$1.50**

**WV-331 — Wax Vine — (Hoya Carnosa Variegata)** Makes extremely long growth for climbing or trailing. Beautiful dark green, ovate leaves edged in cream with faint pink edging. Blooms several times from same flower stem with umbrella shaped flower head 2 to 3 inches across; consisting of many individual pink flowers with brown stars.

**75c each; 3 for \$2.00**

**VL-351 — Velvet Plant — (Gynura auran- tiaca)** The leaves are densely covered with violet or purple hairs, giving it a remarkable velvety appearance. Grows very well in a sunny window indoors or outside if protected from the hot summer sun.

**40c each; 4 for \$1.50**

**PP-301 — Panda Plant — (Kalanchoe to- mentosa)** So called because of their two-toned hairy leaves. The 3-inch fleshy leaves are loosely arranged in a rosette and covered with a lush growth of white hairs with the upper margins a red-rust. A first class shelf plant.

**30c each; 4 for \$1.00**

# FOR YOUR FAVORITE PLANTER

## Cacti — Succulents

Make your own dish gardens with these assorted cacti and succulents.

CI-340—Cacti

SU-341—Succulents

**30c each—12 all different \$3.00**

**30c each—12 all different \$3.00**

CS-342—Mixed Cacti and Succulents **12 all different \$3.00**

## Silver Threads

**FT-503—(Fittonia)**—Brilliant emerald green leaves with contrasting white veins. Very distinctive foliage plant, an ideal choice for your planter or dish garden.

**50c each; 3 for \$1.35**

**RV-332—Rosary Vine**—Long, thin red-dish vine stem produces 2 small heart-shaped leaves at regular intervals. Leaves are thick, dark green with greyish veining and rosy reverse. Vine looks quite fragile but is really durable.

**50c each; 3 for \$1.35**

**RS-333—Rose or Dwarf Sansevieria**—A small version of the popular Snake Plant or Mother-in-Law's Tongue. Variegated green leaves grow in rosette

form to about 6 inches tall. Easily grown.

**60c each; 3 for \$1.65**

## Panamiga

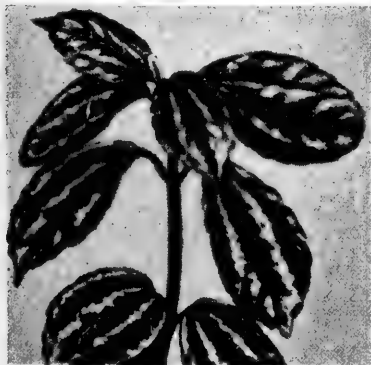
**PG-304**—Also known as the South American Friendship Plant. Has dark green quilted leaves and a strange flat bloom of yellowish green. Something different!

**40c each; 4 for \$1.50**

## Aluminum Plant

**AP-328—(Pilea Cadierei)**—Here's really something different and a first class planter plant. Dark green foliage looks as if it were spotted or rather splashed with aluminum paint.

**40c each; 4 for \$1.50**



**Aluminum Plant**



**Panamiga**



**Silver Threads**

# BETTER BEDDING PLANTS FOR

## Salvia

Or Scarlet Sage, one of the most brilliant and popular bedding plants. Blooms from early summer until frost. Both tall and short varieties used for many purposes.

**SA-441—Brightness**—A newer tall variety (30 inches) that's compact in growth. Bright scarlet spikes come in bloom early.

**SA-442—Fireball**—Most dwarf (10-14 inches) and earliest blooming Salvia. Base branching habit with large orange-scarlet spikes.

**SA-443—America or Globe of Fire**—Round bushy plant of scarlet flowers. 1½ feet tall. Popular.

**SA-444—Royal Blue**—Blooms all summer and fall. 30 inch plant produces deep, true blue flowers.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

## Verbena

**VB-406—Rainbow Mixture**—Showy plants that produce very colorful flowers under adverse growing conditions. Popular for rock gardens, boxes, ground cover and as cut flowers. Mixed colors ranging from white with red eye to red with white eye and on through blue and lavender shades. Very colorful!

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**

## Asters

**AS-410—Princess**—A wilt resistant strain that produces flowers 3 to 3½ inches across. Branching plants grow to 2½ feet. Mixed colors from white through red and purple. Excellent all purpose asters for your garden.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00**

## Growing Canna Plants

Wonderful for flower beds. Mighty showy plants with huge flower heads and large tropical foliage. Dwarf varieties grow to a height of 2 feet, medium about 3 feet and tall varieties 4 feet. Extra nice plants grown in 3 inch pots. Not dormant roots.

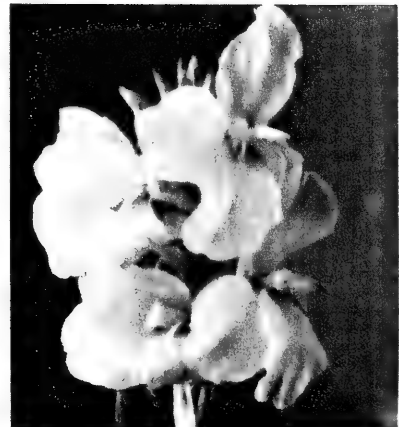
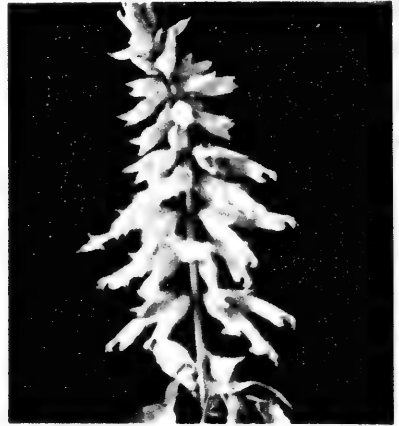
**CN-360—Red King Humbert**—Bright red flowers, dark bronzy-red foliage. Tall.

**CN-361—Yellow King Humbert**—Beautiful large yellow flowers variegated with red spots. Green foliage. Medium.

**CN-362—President**—Extremely large bright red flowers. Very dwarf plant with glossy green foliage.

**CN-363—City of Portland**—Large beautiful rosy-pink flowers. Medium height, green foliage.

**35c each; 10 for \$3.00**





# FULL SUN FLOWER BEDS

## Giant Pacific Hybrid Delphinium

**DE-435—Round Table Series**—Wonderful strain for cutting, exhibition, prized beds and borders. Fully double flowers 3 inches in diameter and well spaced on strong stems. Lovely mixed colors ranging from pure white through pink, blue and on to deep violet.

**30c each; 12 for \$3.00**

## Hardy Carnations

Large clove scented, deeply fringed double flowers, 2 or more inches across. Ideal for cut flowers as well as plantings for borders, rock gardens or beds. Will bloom this year if planted early.

**HC-451—King of Blacks**—Darkest red flower of all varieties.

**HC-452—Golden Sun**—Large clear yellow flowers. Early flowering; very double.

**HC-453—Pink**—Lovely rose.

**HC-454—Red**—Bright scarlet.

**HC-455—White**—Pure white.

**HC-456—Mixed**—Including above colors.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**

**VM-405—Variegated Mint**—Beautiful dark green crinkly leaves with irregular white edging. Useful true mint flavor. Grows to about one foot tall and makes an ideal perennial border.

**35c each; 10 for \$3.00**

## Shasta Daisy

Popular plants, 2 to 2½ feet tall, used extensively as perennial borders. Very hardy and easily grown. Beautiful flowers have many decorative uses around the home.

**SD-461—G. Marconi**—Largest and finest double. Flowers about 7 inches across on sturdy stems to 3 feet tall.

**SD-462—Alaska**—Most popular Shasta Daisy. Produce large single flowers in late June and July.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**

## Periwinkle

An ideal bedding plant. Will stand hot dry weather and produce a wealth of flowers all summer. Bushy plants with glossy dark green leaves.

**PK-370—Bright Eyes**—White flowers with rose colored eyes.

**PK-371—Willie Winkle**—Bright rose flowers.

**PK-372—Twinkles**—Soft, blush pink with a bright red eye.

**25c each; 10 for \$2.00**



# SHOWY SUMMER SNAPDRAGONS



Easy to grow for a colorful show. Many hooded flowerlets on long, strong spikes make fine borders or mass garden plantings. Excellent as cut flowers for indoor decoration.

**SN-422—Velvet Giant**—Extra large spikes of rich, velvety crimson red.

**SN-420 — Tetra Snapdragons** — The huge ruffled Snaps growing on base-branching plants, with center spike growing over 2 feet. Exceptionally husky plants with thick stems and dark foliage. Lovely mixture of all colors.

**SN-424—Tetra Rose**—We are offering a separate color, bright rose, out of the fine mixture listed above.

**SN-421—Skyscraper**—The tallest of all Snaps. Central spike grows over 3 feet tall with over half its length covered with flowers. Strong grower under adverse conditions. Mixed colors.

**SN-423—Hit Parade**—An F<sub>1</sub> hybrid especially developed for garden use. Free branching plant with long graceful stems and flower spikes. Blooms weeks earlier than other bedding Snaps. Pure bright colors offered in a well balanced mixture.

**20c each; 12 for \$2.00; 50 for \$7.50**

## LARGE GREENHOUSE MUMS

Now you can grow these large, ball-shaped Mums in your garden. They are not winter hardy as other varieties but you can grow them outdoors until frost, then dig and repot for indoor flowering. Keep disbudded and allow only one to three flowers per plant. Stake and tie for support and you'll have dandy specimens this fall.

**CM-530—Silver Sheen**—Large silvery white.

**CM-531—Mrs. Kidder**—Large bright yellow.

**CM-532—Kay Tashima**—White spider flowering type.

**CM-533—Pink Chief**—Medium sized lavender pink.

**CM-534—Ambassador**—Large incurved creamy white.

**CM-535—Hilda Bergen**—Large reddish bronze.

**CM-536—Yellow Lace**—Yellow spider flowering type

**50c each; 7 for \$3.00**

# COLORFUL FALL CHRYSANTHEMUMS

After other flowers are gone you can still have a wealth of bloom with these Hardy Garden Mums. Plant in full sunshine, in a rich garden soil. Keep watered well and you can't go wrong. To promote branching, pinch out about ½ inch of the top growth when plants get established.

**Plants of same price may be ordered at group price.**

(D) Double, (SD) Semi-double, (S) Single, (H) Height in inches. (Dates are approximate blooming dates)

## Red Shades

**CM-501—Apache (D)**—Brilliant fire-cracker-red with golden overcast. Flowers 4 to 5 inches across of fine form. September 15, H22. 60c each; 4 for \$2.00.

**CM-502—Alex Cummings (D)**—Large recurved cerise aging to pleasing rose. Very showy! October 3, H28. 60c each; 4 for \$2.00.

**CM-503—Early Crimson (D)**—An early, sun-fast bright crimson pompom. Very hardy upright plant. September 14, H26. 50c each; 5 for \$2.00.

**CM-504—Tribute (D)**—Large fully double flowers opening bright red and aging to bright pink. September 14, H22. 50c each; 5 for \$2.00.

**CM-505—Courageous (D)**—Shining dark ruby red. Magnificent plant, good for cut flowers. September 27, H24. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

**CM-506—Autumn Song (D)**—Large flowers of wine-rose shading to carmine. A different color in Mums. September 12, H20. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

**CM-508—Kathleen Lehman (D)**—Ranks with the best. Brightest orange-gold deepening to red-gold at the center. Outstandingly good. September 28, H28. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

## White

**CM-509—Avalanche (D)**—The favorite large, creamy white Mum. Excellent for cutting. September 4, H20. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

**CM-512—White Bounty (D)**—Small white button pompom with yellow center. September 16, H26. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

## Pink Shades

**CM-513—Patricia Lehman (D)**—Sparkling geranium pink blooms with peach centers; recurved and twisted petals give a fluffy feathery appearance. It's a strong upright mum, excellent for cutting. September 28, H24. 50c each; 5 for \$2.00.

**CM-514—Fascination (D)**—Large 4 inch silvery, lavender-pink flowers. Buds

rosy-red. September 28, H24. 60c each; 4 for \$2.00.

**CM-515—Rosita (D)**—Compact button pompom produces a multitude of light Persian-rose buttons. September 24, H26. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

**CM-516—Jayeff (D)**—Extra large flowers of deep pink that holds color until frost. September 25, H24. 50c each; 5 for \$2.00.

**CM-517—Dr. L. E. Longley (D)**—Extremely double, bright rose pink. Very popular early pink. August 20, H24. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

**CM-519—Betty (SD)**—Splendid upright rose-pink without a trace of magenta. One of the finest pinks. September 28, H28. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

## Yellows

**CM-521—Golden Carpet (D)**—Forms a creeping mound of golden yellow pompoms. Fine for borders. September 16, H12. 50c each; 5 for \$2.00.

**CM-523—Yellow Avalanche (D)**—A large, brilliant yellow Mum. Unexcelled for cutting and unsurpassed in beauty. September 4, H22. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

**CM-524—Yellow Blanket (D)**—Very free-flowering button. Clear yellow; tops for cutting. October 10, H20. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

## Purple Shades

**CM-527—Violet**—Best very early purple. Full dahlia-like bloom. August 26, H20. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

**CM-528—Chippewa (D)**—Bright aster purple with slightly-incurved petals. September 4, H24. 40c each; 6 for \$2.00.

## Novelty Mum

**CM-529—Mischief (S)**—Small flowers (under 1 inch) simply covers the short cushion plant. Petals of beet-root purple to deep red surrounds the big, bright yellow center. October 1, H20. 75c each; 3 for \$2.00.

# IMPORTED DUTCH BULBS

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DB-706—Cheerfulness—Double white.  
DB-707—Mrs. E. H. Krelage—Pure white.  
DB-708—Scarlet Elegance—Deep yellow with red cup.  
DB-709—St. Agnes—Multiple blooming variety in white with short orange cup.

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## Hyacinths

HB-731—White      HB-734—Red  
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HB-733—Lavender      HB-736—Mixed

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# HOW TO GROW GERANIUMS

## Zonal, Scented, Ivy, Unusual, Fancy, Dwarf

### GERANIUMS OUTDOORS

**Soil:** Any garden that will grow common annual or perennial plants will grow Geraniums. If the soil is too rich, Geraniums produce soft, leggy branches, dense foliage and a scarcity of bloom. If the soil is too poor, they produce pale foliage and small blooms. Ideal soil is slightly acid (about pH 6.5), 3 parts clay loam, 1 part coarse sand, and 1 part organic matter.

**Sun:** Geraniums require a lot of sunshine, yet, if at all possible, they should be shaded during the hottest part of the day to produce the best flowers. Geraniums will not do well in complete shade.

**Water:** When the soil appears dry, soak to a depth of at least 6 inches. It is much better to soak the ground once or twice a week than to sprinkle the soil every day. Always water early enough in the day so that the foliage will be dry by night.

**Space:** For beautiful beds allow only 8 inches in all directions for spreading.

### GERANIUMS INDOORS

**Soil:** Mix together 3 parts good garden soil and 1 part peat moss, pack dirt firmly around plants. Have the soil moist, but not wet, when potting.

**Containers:** Repot our plants in 3-inch pots. Do not use too large a pot for Geraniums, they bloom best when a little pot bound. It is better to repot the plants, increasing the size pot each time. Leave at least ½-inch space at the top of each pot for watering, leave more room for larger containers. Always have good drainage.

**Sun:** To bloom indoors, Geraniums must have direct sun. Place them as close to the glass as possible.

### LADY WASHINGTON GERANIUMS

By nature these Geraniums bloom only during the spring and summer. Their beauty is well worth the wait!

Use potting mixture and general cultural directions mentioned above with the following suggestions for best results.

Repot our plants in 4-inch pots. Lady Washingtons require more root room. Most essential for beautiful bloom is a low nightly temperature 50 to 52 degrees while the buds are setting on.

Pinching the tops of each plant will promote branching but will delay blooming several weeks.

**Fertilizers:** Bonemeal is excellent; mix in a liberal amount while preparing your soil. For additional feeding we recommend Plant Marvel.

**Geraniums** growing outdoors will drop most of their foliage if dug and potted for inside use during the winter. It is better to take cuttings from the older plants and start with fresh plants for indoor growing. Take cuttings, anytime, 3 to 5 inches long from strong branches that have leaves growing close together. Remove the leaves far enough up the stem to allow the cutting to stand upright when placed in moist sand. This sand should be about 4 inches deep in a box placed in a sunny spot. Cut a narrow trench in the sand and stick the cuttings to a depth of about 2 inches, then pat the sand firmly. Keep the sand moist; roots should appear in 3 weeks.

**Water:** Do not allow the soil to become water-logged or soggy. Once a week, especially on a sunny day, soak the plant. The rest of the time only enough to keep it from drying out.

**Feeding:** Do not feed unless the plants have stopped growing or the foliage is too pale. Use any good fertilizer. If you use Vigoro, put a small pinch on top of the soil before watering the plants. We like to use Plant Marvel—it is completely soluble in water. Do not over-feed—Geraniums do not require heavy fertilization.

Geraniums grown indoors during the winter may be planted outside in the spring, after the danger of frost is past.

For outdoor planting partial or near shade is best with east side of trees the best location.

For growing over winter cut plants back severely and place in cool spot 40 to 50 degrees and water sparingly, perhaps every 10 days.

About February 1, loosen soil, fertilize, and move to 60 degrees sunny location. Feed plant every two weeks until mid May with any good plant food, prepared for house plants, according to directions. You may then transfer them to your garden.

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